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The proposed settlement of the Microsoft judgment is a bad idea.

Among the many oversights of the proposed final judgment against Microsoft, I must state that Definition U of the proposed final judgment against Microsoft must be amended to read:

U. "Windows Operating System Product" means any software or firmware code distributed commercially by Microsoft that is capable of executing any subset of the Win32 APIs, including without exclusion Windows 2000 Professional, Windows XP Home, Windows XP Professional, Windows XP Tablet PC Edition, Windows CE, PocketPC 2002, and successors to the foregoing, including the products currently code named "Longhorn" and "Blackcomb" and their successors, including upgrades, bug fixes, service packs, etc.

This would close a loop-hole by which Microsoft could merely rename a future product, continuing its current practices (as ruled by the court) of unfair competition.

Microsoft may expend a great deal of time, expense, and effort to the contrary, but justice must prevail.

Sincerely,

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